GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO KARNATAKA
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from Government of Karnataka for financial assistance to organize cultural programmes on the occasion of Mahamasthakabhisheka 2006;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a) and (b): Yes, sir. A proposal for carrying out following works were received from Government of Karnataka:

S.No. Works

1. Security services at Vindhyagiri and Chandragiri hill
2. Railing for visitor`s movement in the courtyard in front of tourism office
3. Sanitation & water supply at Vindhyagiri & Chandragiri hills
4. Footwear Storage, drinking water facility
5. Removal of water pipelines, reworking of electrical cables, concealing removal of water tank, relocation of police booth
6. Parking arrangement

(c): Archaeological Survey of India has spent Rupees 81.09 lakhs on the following conservation and development works:

S.No. Details of works carried out

1. Security services at Vindhyagiri and Chandragiri hill
2. Redesign of entrance gate and paving of entrance area Vindhyagiri hill
3. Railing for visitor`s movement in the courtyard in front of tourism office
4. Palki arrangement at the base of the hill
5. Developing seating area and providing benches
6. Incoming and outgoing signage and directional signage
7. Redesign of office and redesign of Hundi
8. Provision of toilets and drinking water

The Ministry of Tourism received a proposal for payment towards Advertisement for Mahamastakabhhisheka - 2006 being celebrated in Karnataka. Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned funds to the tune of Rs. 26,22,243.00 on 26.3.2006 for launching a print Media campaign in the domestic market to create awareness about the Mahamasthakabhisheka -2006.